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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Johnathan Napier

Serial No. 09/555,093

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed June 10, 2003.

Claims 1-14, 23, and 39-43 are currently pending. Claims 1-12, 14, 23, and 42 stand rejected. Claim 13 is objected to as dependent on a rejected base claim, but is indicated as otherwise allowable. Claims 39-41 and 43 are indicated as allowable.

Please charge the fee for a two-month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. We believe no other fee is due. If any other fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.